

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Mines & Minerals - Reservation of the Iron Ore bearing areas of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam District for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s A.P.Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (D&R) Act,1957 - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.64

Dated 30-06-2010.

Read the following :-

- 1) From the Director of Mines & Geology letter No.23827/P2/2000, dt.14-06-2006.
- 2) Government letter No.4299/M.III(2)/2006-5, Industries and Commerce (M.III) Department, dt.21-06-2006
- 3) Government letter No.4299/M.III(2)/2006-13, Industries and Commerce (M.III) Department, dt.27-08-2009.
- 4) From the Ministry of Mines, Government of India, letter No. 4/4/2006-M.VI, dated 25-09-2009.
- 5) Hon'ble Minister (M&G.H&T,SM),Govt. of A.P. letter No.1741/M(M&G,H&T)/2009 Dt.03-11-2009, addressed to the Hon'ble Union Minister for Development of North Eastern Region & Mines, GOI.
- 6) From the Joint Secretary to GOI, Ministry of Mines, D.O.No. 4/4/2006-M.VI, dt.26-11-2009.

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ORDER :

In the reference 1st read above, the Director of Mines and Geology has requested the Government to reserve the Iron Ore bearing areas of Forest / Scheduled Tribe Areas including other Revenue Government / Patta Lands in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals of Khammam District for exclusive exploitation by M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited, a State Public Sector Undertaking, by obtaining the prior approval of Government of India under section 17A (2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957 for scientific and systematic development of Iron Ore occurrences in the said three mandals by going for value addition, and to curtail illegal mining and transportation in patta/Government / Forest lands. The estimated Iron Ore deposits are about 3.4 lakh tonnes in Bayyaram alone. Being Public Sector Undertaking, M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited has vast experience in scientific mining and development of mineral resources including Iron Ore, which to some extent fall in Scheduled area attracting Section 11(5) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957.

2) In the reference 2nd read above, the State Government have requested the Government of India, Ministry of Mines to convey the prior approval under section 17A (2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957 reserving the Iron Ore bearing areas of Patta/Government/Forest Lands in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals of Khammam District for exclusive exploitation by M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited.

3) In the reference 4th read above, Government of India have conveyed the prior approval for reserving Iron Ore bearing areas of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals of Khammam district for **exclusive exploration** for 10 years in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957, subject to the following conditions :-

- (i) the reservation would not be applicable in case the area is already held under any prospecting licence or mining lease.

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- (ii) a prospecting licence granted in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited pursuant to the reservation shall not be allowed to be transferred without prior consultation with the Central Government and provisions of para 9.1 to 9.4 of Ministry of Mines guidelines dated 24-06-2009 will be fully applicable to this case at the stage of Prospecting Licence.
 - (iii) State Government shall take all precautions that no action is taken on the subjudice matter if any cases pending in Court of Law, directly / indirectly linked to this proposal.
 - (iv) State Government shall inform the complete details of the mechanism to ensure proper management of the funds kept aside as 20% profit for local tribal development while submitting the proposals for prior approval of Prospecting Licence /Mining Lease in the said areas. This would be spelt in the State Government's policy guidelines as well.
- 4) In the reference 6th read above, it was clarified that the condition pertaining to precautionary check to be undertaken by State Government, against any action pending in Court of Law does not in any way restrict the State Government from going ahead with the reservation of area under section 17 A (2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 provided there are no Court orders against such reservation.
- 5) Government, after careful consideration, have decided to reserve the Iron Ore bearing areas covering over an extent of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam District for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957.
- 6) Accordingly, the following Notification shall be published in Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated 1st July, 2010.

NOTIFICATION

"Under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby reserve the Iron Ore bearing areas covering over an extent of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam District, the area wise particulars with reference to boundaries, coordinates and extent of area in each Mandal are annexed to this order, for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC), subject to the following conditions :-

- (i) the reservation would not be applicable in case the area is already held under any prospecting licence or mining lease.
- (ii) a prospecting licence granted in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited pursuant to the reservation shall not be allowed to be transferred without prior consultation with the Central Government and provisions of para 9.1 to 9.4 of Ministry of Mines guidelines dated 24-06-2009 will be fully applicable to this case at the stage of Prospecting Licence.

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- (iii) The Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited / Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad shall inform the complete details of the mechanism to ensure proper management of the funds kept aside as 20% profit for local tribal development while submitting the proposals for prior approval of Prospecting Licence/Mining Lease in the said notified areas."

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

RANJEEV R.ACHARYA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery, Chenchalguda, Hyderabad.
(He is requested to publish in Extra-ordinary Andhra Pradesh Gazette and send the same to the Government in 250 copies).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APMDC, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The District Collector, Khammam.
The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Kothagudem, Khammam District.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Khammam.
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, New Delhi.
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur.
The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Bihar.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
The Industries & Commerce (Mines-I, Mines-II, SPIU & SAND) Department.

SF/SC(C.No.4299/M.III(2)/2006)

"Copy of this order is available on Internet and can be accessed at address <http://www.ap.gov.in/goir>".

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Annexure to the G.O.MS.No. , Industries & Commerce (M.III) Department,
Dated 30-06-2010

S.No.	Government Code for Mandal	Name of the Mineral applied for Reservation	Boundaries of the area for Reservation	Location of the area – State, District, Survey No. and Khasra No. etc.	Latitude and Longitude	Map/ Topo sheet Area applied for and period of Reservation	Extent of the area Reserved
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	29 Bayyaram	Iron Ore	West-North : Warangal East: Yellandu & South : Garla	State:Andhra Pradesh District: Khammam (entire Mandal)	N 17 30' - 17 45' & E 80 0' - 80 15'	Topo No. 65C	25700.000 Hectares
2	28 Garla	Iron Ore	North : Bayyaram, South: Kamepally East : Singareni West: Warangal	State:Andhra Pradesh District: Khammam (entire Mandal)	N 17 15' – 17 30' & E 80 0' - 80 15'	Topo No. 65C	18330.000 Hectares
3	22 Nelakondapally	Iron Ore	North : Mudigonda: South : Nalgonda District East : Mudigonda: West: Nalgonda District	State:Andhra Pradesh District: Khammam (entire Mandal)	N 17 0' - 17 15' & E 79 45' – 80 15'	Topo No. 560 & 65C	12660.000 Hectares
Total Extent							56690.000 Hectares

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